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SUBJ: CYPRUS DISASTER RELIEF--UNHCR APPEAL

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1. WE CARRIED OUT REFTEL INSTRUCTIONS IN MEETING SEPTEMBER 24 WITH SEAN KENNAN, FONOFF ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, AND PAUL DEMPSEY IN ECONOMIC DIVISION. OUR MAIN CONCLUSION WAS THAT REQUESTS FOR CYPRUS DISASTER RELIEF HAVE BEEN SO CONFUSING AS TO INHIBIT EFFECTIVE IRISH RESPONSE. GOI BELIEVES THAT IT HAS ALREADY HONORED THE ONLY TWO OUTSTANDING REQUESTS. IN RESPONSE TO APPEAL FROM UNHCR, IRISH CONTRIBUTED 13,000 POUNDS (ABOUT \$31,000) FOR
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IMMEDIATE CYPRUS RELIEF. CHANNEL FOR CONTRIBUTION WAS RED CROSS,

WHICH IRISH CHOSE SIMPLY BECAUSE IT SEEMED CONVENIENT AND WAS IN FULL OPERATION. OF THIS AMOUNT, 3,000 POUNDS PASSED THROUGH COUNCIL OF EUROPE ON WAY TO RED CROSS AND REMAINDER WENT DIRECTLY TO RED CROSS. KENNAN HAD SOME DIFFICULTY RECONSTRUCTING APPEALS AND CHANNELS, WHICH HE FOUND RATHER COMPLICATED.

2. IRISH HAVE ALSO CONTRIBUTED FOOD VALUED AT ABOUT \$50,000. THIS WENT VIA EC AND MADE UP PART OF EC CONTRIBUTION THAT IRISH BELIEVE ADDED UP TO ONE MILLION DOLLARS (NOT \$1.5 MILLION AS REPORTED IN REFTEL).

3. WE URGED IRISH TO RESPOND GENEROUSLY TO CURRENT UNHCR APPEAL, BUT CHANCES WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE IMPROVED IF REQUEST WERE BETTER COORDINATED. WE CANNOT JUDGE WHETHER IRISH MIGHT MAKE ADDITIONAL BILATERAL CONTRIBUTION, GIVEN THEIR OWN PROBLEMS, BUT IT COULD CLEARLY NOT BE VERY LARGE. THEY APPEAR WILLING AT LEAST TO VOTE FAVORABLY ON ANY RELIEF PROPOSAL THAT MIGHT DEVELOP IN EC.

4. IRISH CONTACTS INVITED US TO CALL BACK TO THEM IF WE RECEIVED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WOULD HELP CLEAR UP AMBIGUITIES IN UN APPEAL.

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